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## GRAHAM CO. NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered  
by the Guardian's Cor-  
respondents

### THATCHER

Wallace Williams returned to Clifton Tuesday after spending several weeks visiting with his mother, Mrs. Hattie Williams.

R. W. Fuller now has a force of men at work on the new Relief Society hall.

Annie M. Allen, of Duncan, is visiting in town with relatives and friends.

The Academy is preparing to celebrate Founders' Day, March 13th.

Orvil Allen, Sr., has been quite ill for the past ten days, but is recovering.

The dance given for the benefit of the streets Friday night brought together a good crowd and it was enjoyed by all.

Alvin Crockett, of Utah, is visiting with his sister, Mrs. Lydia Lamoreaux.

The Parents' and Teachers' meeting was held in the Academy chapel Thursday night. The numbers given by the district school were enjoyed, and the discussion was taken up with spirit.

S. S. Green is bookkeeping for the Big Six this week, during his wife's illness.

The University basketball team is expected here this evening. All are looking forward with interest to the match game.

Mrs. Martha Holden and Mrs. Richardson, of El Paso, are visiting friends and relatives in Thatcher.

The monthly priesthood meeting was held in the Academy Chapel Saturday,

with President Kimball in charge. A large attendance was present from all over the valley. Much business was done.

The following program was carried out at the M. I. A. Conjoint Sunday evening:

Congregational singing.  
Prayer, by D. D. Jones.  
Ladies chorus, by Junior girls.  
Talk, "The True Gentleman," by A. C. Peterson.

Piano duet, by Henry Clark and Spencer Kimball.  
Talk, "The True Lady," by Miss Ettie Lee.

Chorus, by the Junior boys.  
Vocal duet, by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Layton.  
Benediction.

Pearl Claridge was given a lively surprise party by her friends Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Evans Coleman entertained a crowd of young people at her home Friday evening.

### GILA ACADEMY NEWS

The basketball boys are training to meet the University boys from Tucson today and tomorrow. There will be a game tonight in the Amusement Hall, and a dance afterward. Tomorrow night they will play in Pima, with a dance following.

The different classes will serve refreshments during the dance tonight.

The sanitary drinking fountain is almost completed. The students will have mountain water to drink from now on.

The Seniors are having rehearsals on their play, "What Happened to Jones." They say it is going to be far better than "Mr. Bob." The play will come off the 12th of this month.

### FORT THOMAS

There are practical and impractical dreamers. Our section foreman, Arthur Moeller, is of the first class. About the middle of last May he discovered

what carpet cactus was made for. Doubtless he may have first tangled with it himself. On the 28th day of the month aforesaid, he transplanted some of these cacti to the railroad right of way just west of Ft. Thomas station, in lieu of the cattle guard, which needed repairs at that point. After a season's use they appear to be just the cactus. No stock will venture over them if they are kept growing closely. The management of the S. P. system have recently placed large numbers of them. They have had crates made for shipping the cactus all along the line of their systems. This is productive loyalty and should be rewarded by the employer.

Religious services began this week in the school house. On Wednesday night Rev. W. B. Wheeler, of Bowie, preached and Rev. Gordon will be here tonight to initiate protracted services. Let us revive our religion lest a worse thing overtake us. Our government and all corporate bodies, as well as our legislative functions, all endorse the good old-time religion of our mothers.

A young man from Pima is talking of adding two more pool tables to the already ordered by Mr. Woods for his work. There will also likely be another barber shop by the same party.

Bert Smith and Will Bolinger are hauling ore from Turnbull. They report that a much higher grade of ore is being uncovered and will be brought in at once.

New stock yards are now assured to our town through the untiring efforts of Mr. Woods.

The case of the State vs. Turner et al., was granted change of venue.

Rev. W. B. Wheeler preached at Geronima Tuesday night to a very nice congregation. Brother Wheeler thinks the opening favorable to religious work and believes there will be strong support for such effort as soon as people begin to realize what it means to their community.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
(Continued from page one.)

Fair Commissioners for 1913 was approved by the board.

Tuesday, the board took up the matter of a new road between Larson and Maurer ranches and the Merrill and Johns ranches to the county road near Solomonville depot.

J. C. Johns, M. R. Kempton and W. B. Walker were appointed viewers, to report a hearing, Monday, March 2d, at 11:00 a. m.

### EDEN

All singers residing in Eden are requested to assemble at the meeting house next Monday night for organization and conference work.

WM. MOORE CLAYDON,  
State Choirster.

Fred H. Jones, of Globe, was a visitor in town Wednesday, returning to the Copper City on the afternoon train.

Don't forget to see the new harness being manufactured by Olney Hardware Co. adv-51-1t

If you want your yards arranged and planted with shrubs and roses, call on Smith's Nursery, who will send a representative. adv-49-3t

Eggs for hatching from Barred Rock and India Runner Ducks; \$1.00 per setting. DAVID RIDGWAY, Safford, adv-50-8t

New lot of Charter Oak Stoves just received. Olney Hardware Co. adv-51-1t

## Baptismal Font Is Dedicated

The new baptismal font at Layton Church was dedicated Sunday. Bishop J. R. Welker was in charge of the services. Geo. H. Crosby, Jr., offered the prayer of dedication. Wm. Moore Claydon conducted the singing, which consisted of hymns setting forth the example of Jesus Christ in being baptized by immersion.

Immediately after this service, nine persons were added to the Church by baptism. This ordinance was administered by John W. Morris.

This is a much needed improvement and will be much appreciated by the people of Layton Ward.

### LAYTON NEWS

Clarence Scarlett has moved his house from his farm to lot in town, next door west of Lester Bingham.

Miss Clara Morris is reported ill from an attack of scarletina.

Mrs. Thomas Richards has been seriously ill this week, suffering from an attack of rheumatism. She is reported improving.

Dan Williams and Charles C. Carr are laid up this week with an attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Geo. Evans has been quite sick, but is reported improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Nelson are now domiciled in their new home next to William Ellsworth's residence, having moved from Lone Star.

Mrs. Monford Allred is reported ill this week.

### THE CLAYDON SHOE SHOP

A representative of THE GUARDIAN visited Claydon & Son, and found them very busy on both new work and repairing. Waterproof shoes and cowboy boots of superior quality are being turned out and no complaints from customers. The prices are considerably higher than imported goods, but there is no comparison in the matter of quality and fit. The firm had on exhibition goods that were the superior of anything we have ever seen in an Arizona shoe factory.

### NOTICE

Members of the choir in Bryce and Fairview will meet with Eden choir next Monday night. Eden and Fairview will meet at Bryce Thursday night.

All singers of Central ward please meet at Central church next Tuesday night. No excuses, but sickness, will be recognized. Hubbard singers meet next Saturday night.

Graham singers meet next Sunday night. Central, Fairview, Eden, Bryce, Hubbard and Graham meet at Thatcher Church, Sunday, February 15th, at 3:30 p. m. All singers please heed the call.

### STAKE CHOIESTER.

#### For Sale

A water right in the Union Canal; also one in the Lebanon Ditch and Reservoir Co. Inquire BANK OF SAFFORD, adv-51-1t

Mrs. M. E. Crawford, who had been visiting relatives in Globe, stopped over Saturday on her way home to Clifton to visit Mrs. E. W. Clayton, leaving for Clifton Sunday morning.

The Safford Ice and Creamery Co. is prepared to furnish gasoline at 25 cents per gallon in barrels. Adv.-31-tf

L. J. Smith, of Birmingham, Ala., and J. D. Jordan, of Rodeo, N. M., arrived here Sunday to attend to business relating to the estate of the late Elmer Smith, a son of Mr. Smith's.

New lot of dishes. Olney Hardware Co. adv-51-1t

J. T. Owens went to Bowie yesterday morning to meet Mrs. Owens, who was returning from a short visit to her old home in Bellaire, Ohio.

The best axe and axe handles. Olney Hardware Co. adv-51-1t

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moeller, of Fort Thomas, were in town Wednesday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brooking. While here Mr. Moeller attended the Moose lodge, of which he is a member.

W. R. Chambers left Wednesday morning on a business trip to Phoenix and will return home tonight.

The hens that lay the eggs in the winter time, standard bred White Orpingtons. Orders booked for eggs. Fonda's Poultry Yards, Safford. adv-51-1t

See our engines before placing your orders. Olney Hardware Co. adv-51-1t

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Rhode Island Red Eggs; \$1.50 per setting. J. A. Wardlaw, Thatcher. adv-51-1t

### TOWN OF THATCHER FRANCHISE ELECTION NOTICE

(Election Notice)

Public notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1914, a special election will be held in the Town of Thatcher, Graham County, State of Arizona, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters thereof the following proposition:

Shall the Common Council of the Town of Thatcher be authorized to grant a franchise to the Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Company, and its successors in interest and assigns, a franchise for operating an electric light system within the corporate limits of the said Town of Thatcher, subject to the following conditions, to-wit:

SECTION 1. A special election is hereby called to be held in said town on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1914, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said town the following proposition: There is hereby granted unto the Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Company, and its successors in interest and assigns, a franchise to lay, construct, underground, and operate along, across and through the public streets and alleys of said Town of Thatcher, wires, conduits and other apparatus for the transmission of electricity below the surface thereof for the purposes of generating and supplying power for electric lighting and all other purposes, for sale, or other proper uses, for a period of twenty-five years from date of granting this franchise.

SECTION 2. The franchise hereby granted includes the right to erect and maintain proper poles and the stringing of wire thereon, in, over and across said streets, alleys and highways of said Town of Thatcher, for the generation of electricity and electric power and generating the same by steam, gas engine or water power, and for the distribution of said power and the sale thereof for light, heat, power and all other proper and useful and beneficial purposes.

SECTION 3. The said Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Company, and its successors and assigns, to whom this franchise is hereby granted, shall not charge in the exercise of their rights and privileges under this franchise in excess of the prices, fees and rates hereinafter set forth: Fifteen (15) cents per kilowatt, with minimum charge of Two (\$2.00) Dollars per month.

The above charges as specified are payable under the rules of the grantees, which shall be uniform.

SECTION 4. Work by the grantee hereunder, shall begin inside of said town for the construction of an electric lighting system within one year from the date of the granting of this franchise. After the expiration of thirty months, the town shall be continuously supplied with a sufficient amount of electricity for lighting purposes for the said town and the inhabitants thereof. Failure at any time upon the part of the party to whom the franchise is granted, incurring unavoidable accidents, shall forfeit the franchise. Said grantee shall within eighteen (18) months of the granting of said franchise spend at least Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars within the corporate limits of Thatcher in the construction of its plant for the purposes and uses aforesaid.

SECTION 5. Said election shall be held and conducted in all respects according to the general election laws of the State of Arizona, and according to the requirements of the said laws with reference to the granting of franchises by incorporated towns and cities, and public notice thereof shall be given by publication of said notice and proposed franchise, in THE GUARDIAN, a newspaper published in the Town of Thatcher, State of Arizona, for a period of thirty days previous to said election. The ballots to be used in voting upon said proposed franchise shall be substantially in the following form:

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To vote for authorizing said franchise and proposition, the voter shall mark an X in the square above the word "Yes."

To vote against authorizing said franchise and proposition, the voter shall mark an X in the square above the word "No."

Said election shall be held at the North School House in the Town of Thatcher. No person shall be entitled to vote at said election unless he is a duly qualified elector of said Town of Thatcher. The following will act as election officials at said election:

DOCTOR B. JONES, Inspector.  
E. T. LOGGINS and EDGAR SESSIONS, Judges.  
L. R. PARR and RICHARD E. LEE WYCK, Clerks.  
M. M. SMITH, Marshal.

The polls will be open at 8:00 o'clock a. m. and will close at 5:00 o'clock p. m.

By order of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Thatcher, Graham County, State of Arizona.

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Switchboard and Central Office Equipment . . . \$2,774,542.25

Pole Lines . . . 7,769,946.51

Aerial Cables . . . 2,781,582.80

Aerial Wire . . . 6,193,824.97

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Real Estate and Buildings . . . 2,255,162.52

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